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Note by the Registrar of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Addendum

1. By a note verbale dated 26 March 2008, the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Nigeria informed the Registrar of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea of the decision of the Government of Nigeria to withdraw the nomination of Justice Emmanuel Oladeinde Sanyaolu from the list of candidates for election to the Tribunal.

2. A copy of the note verbale is attached.

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Annex

Note verbale dated 26 March 2008 from the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Nigeria addressed to the Registrar of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

The Embassy of the Federal Republic of Nigeria presents its compliments to the Registrar of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and has the honour to inform the Registrar that in order to respect the decision of the African Union ministerial meeting on candidature and the spirit of brotherhood within the continent, Nigeria has decided to withdraw the candidature of Justice Emmanuel Oladeinde Sanyaolu to contest the seat for a judge at the election to be held in June 2008.

In the light of this decision, the Registrar is kindly requested to withdraw the name of Justice Sanyaolu from the list of those to contest for a seat. His name, therefore, should not be on the list for the election.